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A. P. S. SALES BOOMING

The sales department of the American Philatelic Society managed by J. E. Guest of Dallas, Texas has effected sales of over \$85,000, for the fiscal year ending June 30th. Sales at present are running between \$7500 and \$8,000. a month so a new high should be reached for the current fiscal year. July usually considered a slow month in stamps is as busy as any one of the winter months. Conone of the winter months. Con-gratulations Guest keep up the

Confederate States Collection for Retail Sale

Two volumes — mostly hand-stamped, Prisoner of War, and reg-ular issues on cover, some very fine blocks. Stop in and see this collection or send us your want

EUGENE KLEIN

New Zealand Health Stamps For 1945 Will Be Two Color Beauties; First **Day Covers Service For Collectors**

The 1945 Health stamps, which it is anticipated will be issued on the 1st October, 1945, feature the statue of Peter Pan in the Kinsington Gardens, London. The stamps, which are



vertical rectangular in format, are in two denominations, 2d. postage plus 1d. Health, and 1d. postage plus ½d. Health, and there will be 120 stamps in each sheet. A feature of this year's Health stamps, and one which has not previously been introduced into this type of New Zealand stamp is that they are in two colours. In the 1d + ½d., the statue and lettering are grey-green and the background buff, whereas in the 2d. +1d. denomination the colours are carmine and cinnamon, respectively. The two-NEW ZEALAND colour printings give a very pleasing effect. The stamps are being printed by Messrs Bradbury, Wil-

kinson and Co., Ltd., New Malden, Surrey, England. The design is the work of Mr. J. Berry, of Wel-

lington, New Zealand.

To ensure prompt despatch, orders for Health stamps should not include other varieties of of stamps. The stamps supplied will be as well centered as the stock permits.

First day covers will be supplied under the same conditions as last year. Requests for first day covers should be separate from those for mint stamps.

The above is from an official circular from the New Zealand

(Continued on page 5)

Remagen, Third Fleet, LST--Arteraft Engravings

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NAVY	.20	.25	.30	.65
COAST GUARD	.20	.25	.30	.65
MERCHANT MARINE	.20	.25	.30	.65

(Prices are based on 3c stamps and mailed from first day city)

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PHILIPPINE WARTIME PHILATELY

.... by Pablo M. Esperidion Somewhere in the Philippines

Greetings! American friends! It's great to be alive from the wholesale massacre and wanton destruction of the Philippines by the Japanese, the yellow devils! Thanks to God; to the late President Roosevelt, Champion of Dendent Roosevelt, Champion of Democracy and Stamp Collector No. 1 of America; to General Mac-Arthur's forces; and to the American people, the Philippines regained its lost freedom.

Dream vs. Nightmare

Three years of sufferings, famine, starvation, commandeering, oppression, privation, forced-labor, rackets, red-tapes, robberies, looting, black-market, profiteer-

looting, black-market, profiteering, inflation, speculation, fear, humiliation, brutality and tortures, and naked of civil liberties—no freedom of thought, no freedom of speech, and no freedom of the press—such was life in the Philippines during the Japanese occupation. To people who be-lieve in democratic born and brought up in democra-tic ways of life—life during the Jap occupation of the Philippines was neither a practical joke nor a dream. It was a nightmare! Horse-Kick & Horse-Sense

Philatelically, stamp collecting in the Philippines during the Jap occupation was not only a night-mare. It was a double-impression nightmare surcharged with off-set philatelic horse-sense. Too many issues was the order of the day. Stamps issued were in limited quantities. Irony of it, total

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MICHIGAN

issues were never made public. Postal Japhonobiles or the Jap postal statelites reasoned out that it was a "military secret"!

Dictators vs. Guerrillas ... Dictators vs. Guerellas

Philatelic Harnessed to this horse-sense there were specula-tion and investment. Speculation and investment ran supreme. Speculators and investors were the dictators of the stamp market. Shades of genuine stamp collectors or "philatelic guerillas" who stuck their guns to organized philately, self-styled stamp collectors during the Ian occupation. who stuck in the stamp collectors during the Jap occupation were nonetheless than speculators and investors. People from different walks of life especially guys ent walks of life especially guys and gals who got rich quick in the Buy-and-Sell racket in collaboration with the Jap racke-teers and who had never touched a postage stamp in all their life were the heaviest investors and speculators.

Invasion & Inflation

Main factor in the heavy investment and speculation on stamps during the occupation was attributed to the balloon-barrage inflation of the Jap invasion mooney (Mickey Mouse Money to GI Joes) that was in circulation at the point of a bayonet. Inflation was terrible. It went shooting high in the sky like a B-29. Eventually millions of Jap invasion may were invested on sion mazuma were invested Jap ocupation stamps. Why? vestors and speculators had an eye of selling them even at face value but with genuine Philip-pine money after the present Pacific War.

Boom vs. Bombs

While the boom on the Jap ocwas shooms cupation stamps shooting cupation stamps was should high, occasionally American planes were raining down bombs somewhere in the Philippines. somewhere in the Philippines. And then there was the Jap con-trolled Bureau of Communicatrolled Bureau of Communica-tion, cooking new issues every-now-and-then. New issues proved to the defunct Bureau of Com-munications a lucrative business. It was the first time in the history of the Philippines that a govern-ment department had dipped its finger in the jackpot of commer-cial philately. With subject bur-eau as the fountain-head of new eau as the fountain-head of new issues during the Jap ocupation, new stamps plagued the Philippines and flowed like water from the Fasig River (a river at the backyard of the Manila Post Office.) And stamp collectors, in-vestors and speculators were the best suckers. As a matter of fact, a high postal official when asked what was the idea of too many issues declared that they were not issuing stamps for stamp collec-tors but for investors and speculators; Can you imagine that! And believe it or not, new issues were the only main source of income of the defunct Bureau of Commu-nications had to "come across" the salaries of the postal employees and its overhead.

Nuts vs. Net

One who had witnessed such stamp craze and racket with thousands and thousands of last thousands and thousands of lastminute self-styles stamp-nuts
cannot deny that 90 per cent of
the postal issues of the Philippines during the Jap occupation
and puppet Philippine Republic
regime were speculative. And
speculative with a capital "S". In
support of this allegation, a "Manila Philatelic Diary," written
since and during the Jap occupasince and during the Jap occupa-tion up to the last days of the puppet Philippine Republic by this correspondent is his mute witness.

Check List & Check Out

Meanwhile in the interest of postal history, a check list of the Jap occupation issues as well as those of the puppet Philippine Republic are given hereunder:

Japanese Occupation Issues

First Day Issue
Mar. 4/42—2c green Rizal, deleted with black bars—Provision— Mar. 4/42-16ce blue Magel

lan's Landing, deleted with black bars—Provisional, Mar. 4/42—2c rose Rizal, Postal

Card, deleted with black bars— Provisional, May 18/42—2c on 4c (Woman

& Carabao) Victory Issue—Commemorative.

Sep. 1/42—5c on 6c Filipina,

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deleted with black bars-Provi-

Sep. 3/42—3c red Postage Due, deleted with black double-bar— Provisional. 13/42-3c red Postage Due

deleted with black single-bar Provisional. Nov. 12/42-2+1c Food Production Campaign, violet-Semi-Pos-

tal. Nov. 12/42-5+1c green, Food Production Campaign-Semi-Pos-

12/42-16+2c orange, Food Nov. Production Campaign—Semi-Pos-

Dec. 8/42—5c on 4c (Woman & Caraboa) Greater East Asia War Anniv.—Commemorative.

Dec. 12/42-2c green Postal Card, deleted with black bars-Provisional.

Jan. 11/43—16c on 30c brick red, Blood Compact, deleted w/ black bars—Provisional. Jan. 23/43-2c on 8c (Airmail)

Jan. 23/43—2c on 8c (Alrmaii)
Phil. Executive Com. 1st Anniversary—Commemorative.
Jan. 23/43—5c on 1P (Airmail)
Philippine Ex. Com. 1st Anniversary—Commemorative.
Jan. 23/43—5c on 1P (Airmail)
Philippine Ex. Com. 1st Anniver-

Philippine Ex. Com. 1st Anniver-sary—Commemorative. Apr. 1/43—2c green, Rice Planter—Regular. Apr. 1/43—5c brown, Mayon & Fuji—Regular.

Apr. 1/43-5c on 2c (Juan de la

Cruz) Emb. Stp. Envelope (Plain) Provisional. Apr. 1/43—5c on 2c (Juan de la Cruz) Emb. Stp. Envelope (Ret.

Address)-Provisional. Apr. 7/43—2c green Rizal, with "K. P."—Official.

Apr. 7/43—5c on 6c brown, Filipina, with "K. P."—Official. brick, Blood Compact, with "K. P."—Official.

Apr. 7/43—2c rose Rizal, Postal Card, with "K. P."—Official. Apr. 30/43—12c black Salt Springs, deleted with black bars -Provisional. Apr. 30/43—50c on 1P Baraso-

ain Church, deleted with black Apr. 30/43—1P on 4P, Montal-

ban Gorge, deleted with black bars—Provisional.
May 7/43—2c red, Fall of Ba-taan & Corregidor, 1st Anniver-sary—Commemorative.

May 7/43—5c green, Bataan & Corregidor, 1s versary—Commemorative. May 17/43—2c gree 1st Anni-

May 17/43—2c green Rice Planted, Postal Card—Regular. Jun. 7/43—1c bright orange, Nipa Hut-Regular.

June 7/43—4c dark olive Nipa Hut—Regular. Jun. 7/43—1P red Mayon &

Fuji—Regular,
Jun. 20/43—12c on 20c (Juan de la Cruz) Printing Press 350th

Anniv.—Regular.

Jun. 14/43—6c red, Rice Plant-

er—Regular.

June 14/43—10c pressian blue,

Mayon & Fuji—Regular. Jun. 14/43—12c blue Jun. 14/43—12c blue, Moro Vinta—Regular. Jun. 14/43—16c brown, Moro

inta—Regular. Aug. 16/43—20c purple, Nipa Hut-Regular.

Aug. 16/43—21c light violet, Mayon & Fuji—Regular. Aug. 16/43—25c light brown,

Aug. 16/43—25c light brown, Rice Planter—Regular.
Sep. 16/43—2P purple, Moro Vinta—Regular.
Puppet Philippine Republic Issues

First Day Issue First Day Issue description, classification.

Oct. 14/43—5c light blue, Independence Issue (Perforate)—Commemorative. Oct. 14/43-12c orange, Inde-

Issue, (Perforate)pendence Commemorative.

Oct. 14/43—17c rose, Indepen-ence Issue, (Perforate)—Comdence memorative.

Oct. 14/43—5c light blue, Inde-endence Issue, (Imperforate) Oct. 14/43—94 pendence Issue, (Imperforate, without gum)—Commemorative.
Oct. 14-43—12c orange, Indedence Issue, (Imperforate)

without gum)—Commemorative.
Oct. 14-43—17c rose, Independent

dence Issue (Imperforate) with-out gum)—Commemorative. Oct. 8/43—5c, 12c, and 17c In-

dependence, Miniature Sheet (Imperforate)—Commemorative. perforate)-8/43-12-21c (Baha" Dec.

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tal. Feb. 9/44-5c, 12c & 17c, Sheet

tional Heroes, Miniature Sheet (Imperforate)—Commemorative Feb. 17/44—5c blue, Rizal, National Heroes Issue (Perforate)-

Regular. Feb. 17/44—12c red, Burges, National Heroes Issue (Perforate

Regular. Feb. 17/44—17c orange, Mabini, National Heroes Issue(Perforate)

ational neroca -Regular.. Feb. 17/44—5c on 2c (Juan de Cruz) Emb. Stp. Envelope Plain) w/"Republika"—Provisional.

Apr. 10/44-5P olive, Moro Vinta—Regular.
Apr. 17/44—5c blue, Rizal, Na-

tional Heroes Issue (Imperforate) Regular.
April 17/44—12c red,

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forate)—Regular.
May 7/44—5c on 20c (Airmail),

Bataan and Corregidor, Fall of and Anniv.—Commemorative.

May 7/44—12 on 60c (Airmail),
all of Bataan and Corregidor,

Fall of Bataan and Corregidor, ind Anniv.—Commemorative. Jun. 12/44—5c on 2c (Juan de a Cruz) Emb. Stp. Envelope Red, Add.) w/"Rep."—Provi-

la Cruz) (Red, sional.

Jun. 26/44—5c on 6c brown, Filipina, with "K. P." (overprint, Large Type).—Official.

Large Type).—Official.

Aug. 28/44—5c on 6c brown,
Filipina, with "K. P." (w/"Republika Ng Pilipinas").—Official.

Aug. 28/44—20c bistre, Juan
de la Cruz with "K. P." (w/"Republika")—Official.

Aug. 28/44—1P. brown. Vinto

Aug. 28/44—1P. brown, and Clipper, with "K. P." "Republika"—Oficial. and

"Republika"—Oficial.
Aug. 28/44—2c green, Rice
Planter, Postal Card, w/"K. P."
and "Republika"—Official.
(x) Oct. 14/44—5c brown, 1st
Anniver. Philippine Independence,

(Imperforate)—Commemorative.
Oct. 14/44—7c green, 1st Anniver. Philippine Independence, (Imperforate).—Commemorative. Oct. 14/44—20c blue, 1st An-niver. Philippine Independence,

(Imperforate).—Commemorative.
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Bing Bang & Breakdown

As it can be noted from the first check list, 41 different postal items, namely, 7 provisional postage stamps, 13 regular postage, 7 commemoratives, 3 semi-postals, 3 officials, 2 postage dues and 6 postal stationary (4 postal cards and embossed stamp envelopes)

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By Lawrence W. Case
ATTENTION DEALERS—
Watch this column for an announcement regarding some important and progressive steps taken by the American Stamp Dealers Association, and which should interest all dealers and collectors. interest all dealers and collectors.
This is the first, in which I trust will be a long series of progressive steps for the good of all of

philately.

LINN'S FOR JULY 12TH—My column on page seven surrounded a clipping from the Dayton (Ohio) Daily News regarding the poor photograph of F. D. R. on the 3c commen. The article was so good. I wish I had written it. No acceptances of my challenge for the benefit of the Red Cross have come my way. For Mr. Linn and anyone else who might be interested—I was a collector in 1919 terested—I was a collector in 1919

-20-21. I was just getting started.
Unquestionably both Mr. Linn and 20-21. I was just getting started. Unquestionably both Mr. Linn and Mr. Harris as dealers would know more about what happened in those days than I do—from practical experience. On the other hand, I wasn't living in 1865, but I know a great deal about the Civil War; even more than some of our veterans of that war whose memories have faded with the years. And talking about the years, did you notice that our editor, attempts to pass himself off as an old man by telling you what was cooking after the last war? Why, that George Linn is spry and young enough to win the 50 yard dash at the next convention of SPA or the Garfield-Perry. I've told you before, that photo of him over his column is no good.

FIRST DAY COVERS—I was streeted in the recent article in

FIRST DAY COVERS—I was interested in the recent article in the same issue anent the doings at the main post office when the 3c F. D. R. came out. The only thing the main post office when the 3c F. D. R. came out. The only thing this writer forgot to mention was the fact that again—cancellations came through "FIRST DAY OF ISS-" and then went off the envelope. I am preparing a long letter to Postmaster Hannegan, including 38 samples (sent to me) of the conference stamp which have absolutely no value; 14 copies of the F. D. R. 3c, and about 180 envelopes which requested a philatelic cancellation and which were ruined, smeared or deliberately torn with a finger nail. The post office sends a large check to the Treasury Dept. as a result of stamp collectors pouring in large sums of money, and it's just about time that the post office got hep to the jive. (That's Bobby socks talk for-getting wise to themselves). Last year thirteen five cent stamps weer issued with hundreds of thousands of first day covers sent through ordinary channels—at a great profit to the hundreds of thousands of first day covers sent through ordinary channels - at a great profit to the p. o. This year we have had an-other 5c stamp and still another coming up - and a two center which means we'll have to affix two of them to get them through every new stamp brings more every new stamp brings more the mail. All of this "gravy" - but cries from collectors regarding the mess of the first day cover situa-tion. It would seem to me that the readers of this paper, all devout followers of covers, would want to get behind a move to force the post office to pay atten-tion to business. This sloppy at-titude must stop some time, and I am hoping that an intelligent, straight forward letter to the new

postmaster will bring some action.
ROOSEVELT THREE—An interested reader points out that on the 3c F. D. R. there is a dog standing in the roadway in front of the White House, and that althe the series is supposed to show the the series is supposed to show the places where our late presi-dent lived and show them as he lived in them, the flag on the White House is at half mast. He further lamonts that put out as a memorial to F. D. should have been either a black stamp or should have contained a black border around the photograph. What my friend forgets is

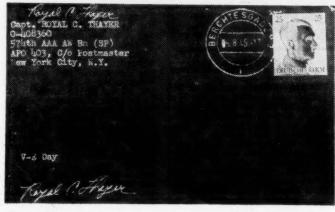
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Cover From Hitler's Headquarters



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that this, the greatest nation in the world, cannot purchase the proper that this, the greatest nation in the world, cannot purchase the proper equipment with which to print bi-colored stamps. Instead, we keep on printing one-color frights at the B of E because Congress won't permit purchasing modern equipment. It has been a matter of record that the powers at the post office lack imagination and nothing can or will be done until a mighty wave of mail hits them from every philatelist, but it is almost impossible to get stamp collectors to write letters. Mr. Linn has made some very valuable suggestions to the post office, and I am sure that other philatelists have done the very same thing—but I have yet to see any suggestion adopted because it is pretty difficult to convince the post office that they could be selling good looking pieces of propaganda instead of the dull looking junk turned out year after year.

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By E. E. DEUTSCH

Benjamin Franklin, patron saint of the electrical sciences, is credited with being the first to establish that lightning and electricity are the same. His experiment with the kite is familiar to many, but the story is one that never grows old. With such simple apparatus as a kite and a key, he "drew down fire from the clouds" in 1752 and

opened a new vista in electrical research.

During a storm he flew a kite, tipped with a metal rod, into a thunder cloud. In his hand he held the hemp string and silk cord and



between them placed an ordinary door key. Very soon, light glowed along the string. Then his boldness as a scientist overcame the natural fear of the unknown. He touched the key, bringing forth sparks, and proved that electricity in the clouds and static electricity produced by a hand-cranked machine are identical.

The value to mankind of this experiment is inestimable. With a

knowledge of lightning and similar high voltage discharges, scientists have been able to devise methods for utilizing the

effects of electrical impact. Work in this field is far from exhausted, but whatever success has already been achieved can be attributed to the primitive kite and key experiment. As a result of it, Franklin invented one of the world's most famous protective devices—the lightning rod.

The stamps of several countries contribute to the illustration of this simple story. The bust of Franklin appears

the United States. The crossed keys on stamps of the Vatican City, although symbolic of St. Peter's keys, are good illustrations of the type of door key so common in early American homes. Stamps of the early Roman States portray similar designs. The kite appears



Lightning is shown on the stamps of several countries. The one pictured here is a Cuban airmail stamp of 1935.

First Day Sale Of One Cent Roosevelt

On Thursday, July 26th, the second of the Roosevelt Memorial stamps was put on sale at the Ancestral Home of the President at Hyde Park, N. Y. Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan, presented the first sheet of these stamps to the widow of the late president.

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HERE IS YOUR ANSWER MR. HERZOG

Incidentally, before giving the answer let me state that this matter concerns a paragraph printed in "Philatelic Trends," a house organ issued by George Herzog, specialist in used Air Mail stamps of the world. Mr. Herzog is at 68 Nassau Street, New York 7, N. Y. and we would urge any collector interested in Air Mail stamps to ask for a copy of this publication as it is well worth reading. Mr. Herzog is a regular user of space in our columns.

The paragraph we referred to above is as follows:

"ISN'T IT THE TRUTH?"

"At a recent A. S. D. A. meeting Hugh M. Clark, editor of Scott's Catalogues, eloquently said: 'There are two classes of stamp dealers. First, those who would like to know if their stamps are good. Second, those who don't give a damn and only hope their customers won't find out."

"But my dear Mr Clark, you failed to tell us what we can or should do about this second group!"

Here is the answer Mr. Herzog. Revamp and set up the Ameri-Stamp Dealers Association in such manner that one of its



most important functions will be to protect the collector who buys the stamps that stamp dealers live off of. Put within the Association a policing policy with a reputable man in charge. every stamp collector that he can deal with mem-bers of the ASDA with the assurance that he will get a clean deal. Advise him that in any event where he has done business with any ASDA member and that the transaction has been unsatisfactory that he is invited to lay the matter before the ASDA immediately and that the ASDA itself, through its policing unit will take the matter up and thoroughly investigate and that in event the dealer is shown to have misrepresented or to have done business in an unethical manner that the

ASDA will penalize him, perhaps by a system of fines or a marking up of black points against his name, a sufficient number of which would be cause for expulsion and public announcement of such expulsion.

That the ASDA would also insist that the dealer adjust the elaim to the satisfaction of the buyer either by a complete refund or substitution of satisfactory material.

If such a plan is incorporated within the ASDA, then the ASDA should solicit all dealers to become members, perhaps at an even higher rate than now current to provide sufficient funds for proper functioning of the Association. Dealer applicants should be admitted only after a thorough investigation and one of the points permitting membership should be ample proof that the dealer is of legal age, has a sufficient stock of material to pose as a stamp dealer or has capital of sufficient amount to back up his activities.

Such a plan would eliminate from membership those who think by buying a \$5.00 or a \$50.00 dealer stock, that they are stamp dealers. Applicants for membership should also be obliged to fill out forms giving a thorough analysis of their interest or activity as

a stamp collector or dealer for the years preceeding their application.

In other words put the ASDA on a sound basis with one of its first and foremost objects the protection of the man who makes your business possible.

Then advertise regularly in all stamp publications with the suggestion to collector and prospective buyer that "you can deal with the assurance of absolute safety and protection if you deal with ASDA members. Watch for the insignia of the ASDA in all advertisements or literature from which you buy stamps. Report any unethical practices to the Association."

There is your answer, Mr. Herzog and until such a plan is adopted the ASDA never can fill the niche that a Stamp Dealers Association should fill,

"Spuds" Ruin Stamps, Not Thumb Cancels

We learn something new every day. We have always referred to the good old Irish Potato as a spud and now comes some copies of letters from Heinz Hoffman who has been making some complaints about terrible smeared cancellations on nice blocks of stamps that were put through the Detroit Post Office, and we learn from this correspondence that it is the SPUDS that are responsible for the smeared cancellations and Spuds are not Potatoes in P. O.

According to a letter from the According to a letter from the Detroit Postmaster, a spud is beside each distributing case in the postoffice. If and when a letter bobs up whereon the cancelling machine has not cancelled the stamp, the clerk rubs the stamps on the letter across the spud and lo and behold, you get one of those cancellations that we have selected. cancellations that we have so long believed to be thumb cancels.

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In the case of the cover in question which Mr. Hoffman submits, the cover had gone through the cancelling machine upside down, thus the cancel was in the op-posite corner from the stamps. The distributing clerk noticed this and applied the cover to the spud which effectively cancelled the stamps.
As an example of the difficul-

ties in which the Post Offices must work the Detroit Postmaster states that the mail distributing distributing crew in the Detroit office is practically 100 per cent school children doing temporary work.

POLISH POSTER STAMP

Collectors interested in Poster stamps and especially war stamps of this nature will want the new Polish Poster Stamp issued to pay tribute to the tragic uprising in Warsaw in 1944. Sheets of 50 of these stamps are available for 25c from the Polish Government Information Center, 745 Fifth Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

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AUSTRIA—Postage. A set of 11 values was printed by the U. S. A. for use by the A. M. G. These stamps feature a post-horn, with the name of the country at the bottom in a panel, and the value in the uppanel, and the value in the upper corners with the monetary unit running vertically down the sides. Denominations and colors are: 3gr., orange; 5gr., deep green; 6gr., red-purple; 8gr., rose-red; 10gr., gray; 12gr., dull brown; 20gr., red-brown; 25gr., dark blue; 30gr., dull purple; 40gr., light blue, and 60gr., olive green. green. -Horton Stamp Co.

BELGIUM—Surcharges. A liber-ation set of 14 overprinted stamps on Scotts types A82, stamps on Scotts types A82, A83A, and A85 were recently issued. Overprint consists of a large "V" with "1945" beneath it and the Cross of Belgium above. The following stamps were overprinted in black; 2c., pale green; 5c. vermilion; 10c. were overprinted in black; 2c., pale green; 5c., vermilion; 10c., olive-bistre; 20c., bright violet; 25c., carmine rose; 35c., green, and 50c., dark blue, (Coat of Arms type A82), and the 1Fr., rose; 1Fr.50, red-violet; 1Fr.75, deep ultramarine; 2Fr., dark purple; 2Fr. 25, greenish black; 3Fr.25, chestnut, and 5Fr., deep green, all of the Leopold III types (A83A and A85).

—Colonial Stamp Co. RAZIL—Commemorative. One

BR A Z I L—Commemorative. One thousand copies of the Francisco Manuel da Silva commemora-tives, jjust issued, have water-mark No. 268 instead of the mark No. 200 common No. 267.

—N. Y. Sun

BULGARIA—Souvenir Sheets. A set of sheets consisting of six-teen stamps has been submit-ted. Each sheet, perforated, conted. Each sheet, perforated, consists of four block of four, one block of each value in what apparently is a set, each value having its own color. Thus the upper left block of four consists of the 2 1. plus 6 1., purple; while the upper right block of four is the 4 1x plus 8 1., blue; the lower left block is of the 7 1. plus 13 1-.. green, and the lowplus 13 1-., green, and the low-er right block is the 20 1. plus 40 1., redding. The stamp design, similar in each instance, fea-tures a mother and her two children.

—General Stamp Co.
COOK ISLANDS—Postage. The
1d., stamp, on "all-over" watermarked paper, was issued March

—Stamp Collecting.
GUADELOPE—Air Mails. A 50Fr.
deep carmine and 100Fr. emerald green were issued in Juen.
Stamps picture a plane in flight,
to the left is the Cross of Lorraine and R. F.

—Jos. Silver

MONGOLIA—Commemoratives. A large upright olive-brown 1 tug. stamp pictures Marshal Choi-

stamp pictures Marshal Choi-balsen with many medals. NIUE—Postage. Both the 5sh. and 2sh.6d., stamps on "all over" watermarked paper were issued in November, 1944, and March 1945, respectively.
—Whitfield-King PORTUGAL—Commemoratives.

A set of two stamps was issued for the first Congress of Agri-cultural Scientists. Stamps show a worker carrying a tool walk-ing in a field. Values are 10c blue and 50c red. (see illustra-

SURINAME—Surcharges. Two values were surcharged the early part of this month. Values are: a ½c. on 1c., green

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SWISS—Commemorative

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Central New England Precancel Stamp Club

The regular monthly meeting of the C. N. E. P. S. C. will be held in the C. N. E. P. S. C. will be held in Bridgeport Connecticut, on August 12th, 1945, at the Stanley Works office. This is the second meeting to be held at the same place, last years meeting was held on October 8th, and it was a fine meeting place and many collectors attended.

attended.

The Stanley Works are located on the corner of Seaview and Stratford Avenues, just before you cross the Yellow Mill bridge coming in from New Hayen. The office is just one block from Stratford Avenue. The place of meeting, is the Conference Room, in the basement, all you need to do is follow the crowd. All collectors are welcome. Time is from 11 tors are welcome. Time is from 11 A. M. until dark an all day affair.

AIR FORCES FORGOTTEN.

Dr. W. D. Peer of Canal Winchester, Ohio, writes to in-quire why not a stamp for the Air Forces also. Are the Air Forces, one of the greatest parts of our fighting forces to be for-gotten in this series of new stamps.

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GERMAN FIELDPOST STAMP

From Cpl. Glen Dawson we have From Cpl. Glen Dawson we have a new variety which we have not yet noted. It is one of the 40pf. Hitler Head stamps (Scott A115) and is overprinted in thick letters with serifs at top with the word "FELDPOST." at the bottom over the neck of Hitler is a large figure "2" and the letters "kg." Dawson says he picked this up in Italy, but we would believe it

in Italy, but we would believe it must be a stamp for one of the Balkan states.

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Revised figures on the quantity of first day covers of the 3-cent Roosevelt Memorial stamp serviced at the Washington, D. C. post office on June 27, 1945 and the 3-cent Iwo Jima stamp on July 11, 1945, show that first day cover cancelations of the latter was the greatest for any single postage stamp ever issued. According to an announcement made at the Post Office Department to-day, these revised figures show day, these revised figures show that there were 391,650 covers of the 3-cent Roosevelt stamp canthe 3-cent Roosevelt stamp can-celed on its first day of issue, while for the 3-cent Iwo Jima stamp there were 400,279 covers serviced when first offered for sale. Earlier figures released at the Department did not include the final number of first day cov-ers canceled for either of these commemorative postage stamps.

Victor S. McCloskey Jr., designed the Iwo Jima stamp. Charles A. Brooks engraved the vignette and the outline frame, lettering and numeral are by Edward H. Helmuth.

As is well known to all, the subject was copied from the Photograph taken by Joe Rosenthal on the island of Iwo Jima,

Philippine Philately

(Continued from page 2)

were issued within a period of 18 months, i. e., from March 4, 1942, when the first Jap occupation when the first Jap occupation stamps were issued up to October 13, 1944, the last day of the Jap Military Administration on which terminated in essence but not in form. Total face value of these issues amounted to 7 pesos and 50 centavos (97.50) Jap invasion mo-

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October 14, 1944, its first anniversary when the so-called Laurel (puppet President) Commemoratives were supposed to be issued, 30 different postal items were issued by the defunct Bureau of Communications. Thus within a period of one year the puppet Philippine Republic had given philately a stampic headache with the issuance of 11 commemoratives, 7 regular postage, 3 semipostals, 4 officials, 3 postal stationery (2 embosed stamp envelopes and 1 official postal card) and 2 minature sheets, off of which had a total face value of 13 pesos and 47 centavos (P13.-47), again in Jap invasion money. Parenthetically the 2 miniature sheets with a face value of 34 centavos each were sold by the defunct Bureau of Communications to the public at 2 pesos and 50 centavos (P2.50) for the Independence Issue and one peso (P1.00) for the National Heroes. "What a racket!" as philatelic guerrillas say during the Jap occupation days. October 14, 1944, its first annivercupation days.

Corned-Beef vs. Chicken-Feed Relatively during the three years of Jap occupation of the Philippines, the defunct Bureau of Philippines, the defunct Bureau of Communications had issued a total of 71 different postal items with a total face value of twenty pesos and ninety-seven centavos (P20.97) in Jap invasion bills or Mickey Mouse Money. Mention may be made in this connection that the Philatelic Section alone sold Jap occupation stamps to the tune of P901,680.06 just for the year 1943, whereas its average annual sales in the pre-war days was P63,000 only or "chickenfeed" in the lingo of guys and gals in the Buy-and-Sell racket during the Jap occupation days. the Jap occupation days.

Moonbeam vs. Sunburn
The collectors or specialists of
Philippine stamps, however, the
Jap occupation issues have presented two schools of thought. They Jap occupation isues have presented two schools of thought. They are: whether said issues will be listed under Japan (now the Empire of the "Setting" Sun) as mere occupation stamps just like other foreign occupation issues of the First World War, or be chroicled under the Philippines, this latter, if they deserve any catalog listing. So-o-o, Philippine collectors or specialists are looking forward to catalog publishers especially the New York boys whether they (cat. publishers) will recognize the Jap occupation issues or hold their horses.

Goose-Step & Double-Time

Meanwhile let's skip the Jap occupation issues for some other time and with the D-Day of the Philippines, this correspondent in his next philatelic dispatches will give priority to Philippine wartime philately among some officers and enlisted.

dispatches will give priority to Philippine wartime philately among some officers and enlisted men of General MacArthur's forces somewhere in the Philippines, Western Samoa 5s. stamps printwho are chasing not only the Jap remaints but also Jap occupation stamps. Thus amidst this turbu-lent world there goes the show— that in time of peace or war— Philately marches on! GBA & HWP

Before concluding this first

JUST IN CASE

P. B. McKINNEY

philatelic dispatch of your corresphilatelic dispatch of your correspondent after a complete silence of three years, silence forced by the yellow devils, he wishes to express his heartfelt thanks to all his American friends whose kind thoughts on him during the Jap occupation of the Philippines as revealed in their letters which recently came pouring in were a recently came pouring in, were a great breathing spell. So-o-o, thanks a million to all, and with apologies to Irving Berlin, "God Bless America" and "Heaven Watch The Philippines."

NEW ZEALAND HEALTH STAMPS FOR 1945

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Director General of Posts. Note that it states that First day covers may be obtained under the same conditions as last year.

We regret that we do not have

instructions concerning this mat-ter for last year but would sugter for last year but would suggest that anyone wanting to send for first day covers should prepare and address their own envelopes for return to themselves and send a postal money order for 4½ pence for each two stamps wanted. Your local postmaster can tell you the rate of exchange for American money. Do not remit with U. S. Postage stamps. Orders should be sent immediately unless you use air mail mediately unless you use air mail as stamps are to be issued Octo-ber 1st. Note also that first day cover requests must be in a se-parate letter from that in which mint stamps are ordered

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during the time I have been writ-ing for LINNS perhaps a dozen or more collectors write me that they are interested in such stamps and I know several more collect personally. Since this is only a cross-section of all collectors I feel that there are more interested collectors than one would think. The purpose of the society is to gather information about this type of stamp and to compile data for the making of a catalog. If you are one of those interested parties we suggest that you get in touch we suggest that you get in touch with Hallock Card of Ostelic N. Y. for more information.

The DMC initials on the dated provisional precancel mentioned a few weeks back stands for the Dennison Manufacturing Co. of Framingham, Mass. This according to Chas. Metz of Phila. Pa. Chas knows. This checks with our description as I mentioned the state was Mass. but what else I knew not.—The July issue of the Buckeye was mailed with a hitherto unknown type from West Alexander Ohio. It was a U-83 type, Evidently it has lain in the office for years unused as it seems in The DMC initials on the dated for years unused as it seems in good shape. At least it printed plain.—We have a precancel from West Plains Mo. in U-121 type where West Plains is all one word. Its on the 1c President, and in U-121 type. We have the same type on the ½c President where it is two words. An error or what is it.?—We have a note from a Canadian collector for news on Canadian precancels. We only get items very spasmodicalfor years unused as it seems in only get items very spasmodically and would like to have some Canadian news about once a month. Who will help us out.



One of the largest airmail exhibitions ever held in this country will be held from August 15th to August 26th at the Hotel Essex House, Newark, N. J. in conjunction with the 1945 STAMPEX. Approximately 25% of the show will be airmails, and there will be several special awards in this division. In fact, there will be a special room devoted just to this fascinating field, so if it is at all possible for you to attend this affair, do so by all means. If prefair, do so by all means. If pre-sent plans materialize, members of the Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club will be stationed in the er Club will be stationed in the airmail room most of the time to act as guides and explain any questions you may have about airmail covers. The American Airmail Society will hold special meetings and forums on Friday and Saturday, August 17th and 18th; while the Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club will hold a special mail Cover Club will hold a special meeting and auction on Sunday, August 19th. These two organizations will hold a joint informal dinner or Saturday Funday formal dinner on Saturday Even-ing, August 18th, to which all aero-philatelists are invited to attend.

So far as I know, I expect to be at the Stampex (in the airmail room) every evening and whenever possible during the day, and would like to meet readers of this column.

On Sunday, May 20th, Albany, Georgia, was finally added to AM-40 as an intermediate point between Atlanta, Ga., and Tallahassee, Flordia. This flight was pending since AM-40 was originally inaugurated on Oct. 10, 19-38, but was acceptant. 38, but was postponed due to poor airport conditions and then because of military use of the field. To commemmorate the 1st flight, a special cachet was provided by the Albany Chamber of Com-merce, and was applied to covers in magenta ink. This cachet consists of an illustrated view and the words VISIT BEAUTIFUL RADI-UM SPRINGS above it. Below it is the words ALBANY, GEOR-GIA.

Covers are postmarked (and the quantities of covers mailed are; Albany (south to /Tallahassee) 6:-30 PM (186); Albany (north to Atlanta) 1-PM (232); Atlanta P. O. (south to Albany) 4-PM (100); Atlanta AMF (south to Albany) 6-PM (109); Tallahassee (north to Albany 2-PM (129). So, with this flight as with other recent first-flights, covers will be somewhat scarce. All covers received the customary General Delivery backstamps, that is, those covers which were addressed c/o General Delivery at the necessary points. Covers are postmarked (and the

points.

W. M. S. Phillips and R. E. Wynn piloted the first plane southward, while D. D. Kelley, E. W. Richardson, J. R. Armstrong were at the controls north-

Thanks for news and covers this week to Dr. J. Ulman, M. S. Petty, Earl Wellman, Mrs. Lloyd J. Robertson, Clinica Glines, and the Post Office Dept.

Change In Overprinted 6c Airmail Envelopes

An official Government instruc-tion in a Postal Bulletin has brought about what should prob-ably be considered as a Provision-al or different variety in the overprinted 2c envelopes which bear the "AIR 6c MAIL" in a box

over the stamps.

According to Al Shaffer a Buffalo collector who has been overseas for some time and who writes seas for some time and who writes us from Casablanca, the mail clerks in the APO at this point ad-vised Mr Shaffer that a recent issue of a Postal Bulletin carried instructions that all these 6c eninstructions that all these 6c envelopes were to be handstamped with a large rubber stamp with the words "VIA AIR MAIL." This to be done before the envelopes are sold at the potsoffices Mr. Shaffer believes that this indicates that somewhere along the line, these envelopes have been treated as ordinary and not air mail and that this handstamp-

air mail and that this handstamping is done to correct this fault.

This handstamping being done

by the Postoffice should make such envelopes recognized as pro-visional or of a different variety than those without the handstamp.

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Gordon Harmer Serving As Ass't. Editor Helps Price 1946 Scott Cat.

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Editors Hugh M. Clark and Theresa M. Clark.
Mr. Harmer, who is head of Harmer, Rooke & Co., the prominent New York auction firm, has helped chiefly in the pricing, and to some extent in revising listings. Most of his work on the 1946 Catalogue has been in the 19th century issues, and while he has paid particular attention to British Colonies, he has not neglected limitations curtailed his revision of listings somewhat this year, but he plans to go further with this

of listings somewhat this year, but he plans to go further with this task in subsequent editions. "In his position as an auction dealer, directing one of the largest auction houses, Gordon Harmer has probably had as large a flow has probably had as large a flow of philatelic material pass through his hands as any comparable professional," said Mr. Clark. "His experience has been very valuable to us, and his actual knowledge of current prices will certainly make our catalogue prices more accurate."

Mr. Harmer has just finished his twenty-second year of profes-

his twenty-second year of professional philately. Before coming to New York a few years ago, he was joint managing director of Harmer, Rooke & Co., Ltd., the London surjoneers don auctioneers.

SUBMARINE POST OFFICES TO BE DISCONTIUED

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The cover bears one of those "Day of the Stamp" Airmail stamps first issued by Spain on October 12, 1944. The cover illustrated is a similar one received at our office several months ago.

This cover has an interesting

This cover has an interesting story in the postmarks on the back. It is addressed to our former Columbus; Ohio, address. It was first backstamped in New York on October 10, 1944 altho how that is possible with the letter having been mailed at Madrid on the 12th October, we are unable to explain.

There is another backstamp at New York, June 23, which is the date on which it was released by the Censors. The cover then went to Columbus and gets a backstamp of June 24th, where it got directory service, no doubt and was backstamped again June 25th and forwarded to Sidney where it got a Sidney backstamp of June 26th and was leivered to our of-

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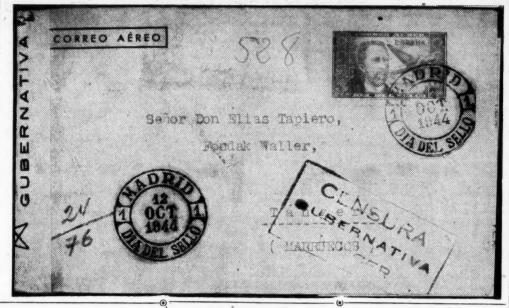
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Sept. 15, 1944) a Decree as follows:

"Owing to its world wide signification the date of 12th October is designed as "el dia del sello" (The day of the Stamp) and a commemorative stamp will be issued each year with previous information-regarding the designs and other characteristics-of the "Oficina Filatelica del Estado".

The present year stamp will be

The present year stamp will be an Air Mail one of five Pardo de an Air Mail one of five Pardo de Figueroa, well known as 'Dr. Thebussem by his research and publications about the History of Spanish Post in last century. The number will be limited to 100,000 and only Air Mail correspondence to be posted 12th October can be franked with the use of this commemorative stamp being limited to said date.

The Oficina Filatelica del Estado is authorized to retain for

The Oficina Filatelica del Estado is authorized to retain for its own purposes the number of stamp judged to be necessary, and only 10,000 will remain for public subscription until 30th September 1944 in the "Dideccion de Correos", the rest to be distributed by the "Compania Arrendataria" as usual.

Plates of printing must be destroyed immediately, and unsold stamps, after the date of 12th October, will be delivered to the Oficina Filatelica del Estado for incorporation to the national filatelic stock (Capital filatelico national).

Philatelic Data On 1945-46 Duck Stamp

Twelfth of its series, the 1945-46 Federal migratory bird hunt-ing stamp, better known as the "duck stamp", can now be pur-chased by philatelists as well as hunters at all first and second-class post offices, advises the Fish and Wildlife Service.

The design of the stamp shows a female and two male shoveller ducks in flight. The birds are in

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stamps. About twice the size of a special delivery stamp, the duck stamp costs \$1 each. Each year the Fish and Wildlife Service, the duck stamp costs \$1 each. Each year the Fish and Wildlife Service, the duck stamps of the stamps of the stamps of the stamps.

the Fish and Wildlife Service, which administers the duck stamp funds, has a distinctive design struck off.

Migratory waterfowl hunters over 16 years of age are required by law to have these stamps in their possession while hunting and each hunter must cancel his stamp with his signature. stamp with his signature.

For the benefit of collectors,

the Service supplies the follow-ing philatelic data on the 1945-46

issue: Color: Black and white.

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Origin of the material: Photograph of a black and white water color by Owen J. Gromme, furnished by the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior.
Designers: Central design by Owen J. Gromme; frame and lettering by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.

Engravers: Vignette by Mat-thew D. Fenton; outline frame, lettering and numeral by John S. Edmondson.

The artist, Owen Gromme, now curator of birds and mammals at curator of birds and mammals at the Milwaukee Public Museum in Milwaukee, Wis., is a native of that state, having been born in Fond du Lae in 1896. Prior to his enlistment in the U. S. Army in 1918 which took him overseas with the 33d Division,he was emwith the 33d Division,he was employed for a year by the Field Museum of Chicago as taxidermist in the N. W. Harris Extension Department under Herbert L. Stoddard who later became famous for his well known book on the bob white quail.

In 1922 Gromme joined the Milwaukee Public Museum as a bird taxidermist and in 1926 became the head of his department. A year later he was named as the

came the head of his department. A year later he was named as the Museum's representative on the Cudahy bird and mammal expedition to Alaska.

Gromme has been an ardent sportsman and widelife student since early manhood. Incidental to, but as a part of his regular work at the museum, he has done considerable lecturing on wild-life subjects. Since 1926 he has supervised the building of bird

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In order to make graphic studies of birds for future mounting at the Museum, it was necessary for Gromme to learn how to make color notes of all fleshy parts and to record painted studies of en-

to record painted studies of environment for the building of groups. While in Africa hundreds of such records were made in oil.

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